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Letter To Editor

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Pamplin, Virginia

Dear Editor:

I wonder if the majority of the people of today have laid their consciences on the the shelf, for they pay no attention to what the Bible says unless it suits them. When you lay aside the Bible you also lav aside your conscience. To so many people of today the dollar is what the golden calf was to Israel.

Surely a lot of preachers and church leaders have laid their consciences by for they try to get people into the church and bypass repentance. So many church have tried to please society to the point that society runs the churches.

Surely a lot of our congressmen and senators have also laid their consciences aside. They get elected, then give no accounting to anyone of how they spend their time. They take time for which the taxpayer is paying them to do their job and spend it for their pleasure and profit. If some of them had to punch a clock to show every hour they actually spend in the discharge of their duties, just how much would the cost be to the taxpayer per hour. There ought to be a law that every one of them would have to answer at role call every day. If an employee steals from a company, we call it imbezzlement. Since wasted or misused time results in wasted money, is this not a crime as well? Taxpayers are entitled to get the time and effort from "public servants" for which they are paying such a high price.

Labor leaders are demandings more pay and less work, thereby raising the cost of living and making the life savings of the old more and worthless all the time.

More and more today we see women casting aside all shame and modesty. Well, that is what Bathsheba did, but she paid an awful price in the end. I wish everyone who reads this letter would get down the Bible and search out passages showing those who turned aside from the leadership of the Lord and what an awful price they paid.

There are still a lot of good, God-fearing people in this country, and they are the ones who are keeping the judgement of God from this nation, but they are in desperate need of leadership. There has never been a time in this nation when people needed to repent and turn back to the Lord more than they do today.

Yours for God and Country,
F. G. Lyon
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To Alert Motorists

The Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has issued a public advisory to alert motorists to the proper selection of deep-tread, winter type tires (snow treads) for use on passenger cars equipped with radial ply constructed tires.

NHTSA Administrator, Dr. James B. Gregory, said approximately 12 percent of the 1973 model year production of passenger cars were equipped with radial ply tires as original equipment, and the 1974 model year should have a higher percentage. "For the American motorist who has purchased one of these cars, or the motorist who, within the past year, has equipped his car with radial ply tires, he should be warned not to use his old snow treads, unless he is sure they are of radial construction."

Previous advisories issued by the Safety Administration noted that there are vast differences in tire construction that affect tire performance. The performance of different tires under similar load, side slip, as well as braking conditions, may differ considerably. For these reasons, a vehicle's basic handling characteristics may be seriously affected when tires of different construction are intermixed. Intermixing of tires can, and often does, change the vehicle's handling characteristics from a stable condition to an unstable condition, including wandering and fishtailing.

The Safety Administration stresses the following precautions and guidelines when purchasing deep-tread, winter type tires (snow treads) for your car.

1. Follow the recommendation of the vehicle manufacturer in the owner's manual or a reputable tire service store or dealer.

2. If your car is equipped with radial ply tires, it is essential that radial ply constructed snow treads be purchased. Radial ply tires should never be mixed with bias or belted-bias constructed tires.

Many motorists consider radial tires to be equal in traction to snow tires in snow or icy conditions. However, most States do not recognize radial ply tires as snow tires. When the motorist has doubts, he should check with his State, county or city jurisdiction.

The Pastor Speaks

"ADVENT"

Here's a neat little word to help us focus. We're always getting out of focus, aren't we? It's good to take a little time, get ready, and focus attention.

Advent, of course, means "coming" and is the beginning of the Church Year. it is the time (four weeks) when we look back so that we can look ahead for what is to come. We look back through Scripture and focus our attention on those portions which tell of our Lord's coming, and what it means.

What a great opportunity, too. Surprises are great. I suppose, but not a steady diet of them. (Watergate proves that!) There are many events in our lives that are far more meaningful when properly prepared for. Advent is our time to prepare ourselves for our King born in a stable. That in itself is worth pondering ahead of time: God being born in a stable!

We are so continually full-of-ourselves that it is difficult to share who we truly are with one another. It takes time to get ourselves ready to be open enough to love others.

Focus this Advent on re-opening your heart to God's gift, so that you may share his gift with those about you.

That's what it's all about, isn't it?

E. Moray Peoples, Jr.,
St. Anne's Episcopal Church

The Sunday School Lesson

Herbert C. Bradshaw
P. O. Box 1533
Durham, N. C., 27702

Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, December 2, 1973.

Topic: Why the Gospel of John?

Scripture: John 1: 6-13; 17:20: 30-31; 21:24-25

These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name. John 20:31.

This sentence from the Gospel of John not only answers the topic of this week's International Sunday School lesson, "Why the Gospel of John?" but it also provides a Scriptural basis for the philosophy of the Uniform Lessons as expressed by the committee which prepares them in the introduction to the 1969-74 cycle:

"This philosophy rests on the view that the unity of the content of the Scriptures is essential to understanding the meanings of the Christian faith and that beginning with biblical content is a valid approach to Christian learning provided this approach is always inclusive of relation to experience."

We shall not get the message of the Scriptures or appreciate their significance if we do not know their content. Knowing the content is not enough, however; it must be applied in daily life and thought if we are to benefit from the knowledge.

Neither John nor the other writers of gospels wrote primarily to publish a biography of Jesus. They related what Jesus did and said in order that people might come to know Him as Saviour and through Him enter a redemptive relationship with God. The Scriptures show us, if we apply their teachings to ourselves, our need of a Saviour, and the New Testament shows us the all-sufficiency of Jesus as Saviour. No book of the New Testament shows more clearly than John that people need a Saviour and that Jesus Christ is Saviour, that He is the way to God, the truth about God, the one through whom a person enters into eternal life with God.

As Christendom enters the Advent season, the purpose for which John wrote his gospel, "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name," has special signigicance. The birth of Jesus is not limited in significance to an event long ago and far away, an event in history over which people can sentimentalize at this time of the year. The birth of Jesus has significance for every person born into the world. It is significant not merely because of the elevating and beneficient influence faith in Him has exerted on civilization and society, though this is important. It is essentially significant because it makes possible the redemption of mankind from sin and restoration to the household of God. An old couplet about the birth of Jesus illustrates the application of biblical content to individual experience:

"Though Christ a thousand times in Bethlehem be born,
If he's not born in thee, thy soul's forlorn."

Scholars are in general agreement that John was the last writer of the four gospels, but this agreement does not extend to fixing even an approximate date for its composition. But the date when it was written is not essential to its value. John includes much material about Jesus which the other three gospels do not contain. Without this material, our knowledge of Jesus and understanding of His teaching and mission would be immeasurably poorer. Thus it complements, in a most essential way for Christian doctrine and practice, the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

The author of the Gospel of John attests its authenticity by identifying himself as a disciple of Jesus and affirming that "his testimony is true." As an introduction to this quarter's study of the Gospel of John in the Sunday Schools, it will be well to read the book through with particular reference to the author's expressed purpose in writing it. How do the various events related, the words and conversations of Jesus reported in it show that He "is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name?" This quarter's study should keep this purpose uppermost.

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COUNTRY LANE EXTENSION CLUB TO MEET DEC. 5th.

The Country Lane Extension Homemakers Club will hold its December meeting on ... at the home of Mrs. ... Smith. The traditional dish supper will be served at ... p.m. with each member bringing a meat, vegetable or dessert. Members are also reminded the auction later in the ... Of special interest to ... Country Lane Cookbook ... sold to the highest bidder. Husbands or escorts are invited for an evening of food and fun.

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...others on the team this ...are followed: Eggles... ...and McCloy. James ...Sears, Robert Smith ...Glenn Mann, all seniors. ...are John Scruggs, ...Clark, Dickie Kelso and ...Enoch Robinson is a ...Allen and Mitch Eggles... ...freshman. The J.V. ...will play before the ...on Saturday night and ...night, Dec. 4. They ...to play first when the ...Colonels meet Appomat... ...here for their only loss ...this regular season the ...time they played, ...mmin won the opener ...them last year.

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...ing to an article ...in THE NEWS, ...ay, last Thursday, ...ormuk and Bobby ...both graduates of ...ton County High ...will be playing basket... ...the Lynchburg College ...season.

...Proffitt, basketball ...ch, stated that Layne, ...mm, it tough and will do ...job for the team. Layne ...6-2 inches and will be ...guard.

...ch also says that Nor... ...is doing a good job and is ...better than last season ...mature confidence. ...attox has turned out ...and athletes and this is ...of two of them.

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...and Mrs. Ray Layne and ...of Lynchburg and ...Mrs. Winifred Nash ...father, of Norfolk, spent ...spending holidays with ...Mrs. Richard Nash. ...and Mrs. Robert Mann ...have spent part of last ...with Mr. and Mrs. Henry ...and Ryland. ...Elliott Nash returned ...from the hospital on ...where he underwent ...

...Elliott Nash and Dawn ...from Thursday with Mr. ...Mrs. Nelson Mann and ...

...large crowd attended the ...for Mrs. Cecil Nash ...last night. ...and Mrs. Ray Layne and ...Mr. and Mrs. Winifred ...baby, Mr. and Mrs. ...Nash, Mr. and Mrs. ...Larson, Mr. and Mrs. ...Waddell, Mr. Herman

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David Repass Received Award

An Awards Banquet-Dance, scheduled by the officials of the Natural Bridge Speedway, was held on Saturday evening, November 24th, at the Natural Bridge Hotel for all drivers, owners, sponsors, mechanics and friends.

David Repass of Appomattox was among those receiving an award.

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Faye Crowe	300

Delegate-Elect Howard Carwile To Speak

Delegate- Elect Howard Carwile will meet with the independent Virginians for Political action in Farmville on Saturday, December 1st at 11:00 a.m. in the Weyanoke Hotel. Mr. Carwile an outspoken critic of busing school children for racial reasons, excessive taxes and secrecy in government was elected to the Richmond - Henrico Floater seat defeating the incumbent William Ferguson Reid, Black Surgeon, who voted to keep Virginia under the Federal Voting Rights Act. The independent Virginians actively supported Mr. Carwile's candidacy. Mr. Carwile is originally from Charlotte County. All former members of the conservative party and the American Independent party are welcome to attend the meeting and urged to attend.

George Burruss, Jr.
Chairman
Independent Virginians
for Political Action

Guill and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gobble were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nash Thursday, also Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Taylor and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Waddell.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Mullins had all of her children and grandchildren for dinner on Thansgiving Day.

4-H Awards Program-Dec. 3

The Annual 4-H Awards Program will be held Monday night, Dec. 3 at the Appomattox Intermediate School Auditorium. The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. and conclude 9 p.m. The 1973 4-H Awards Program will recognize over 30 4-Her's who have done outstanding work in 4-H projects and activities during the past year.

In addition winners in the 1973 Wildlife Feed a Patch Contest will receive awards sponsored by the Oakville Ruritan Club.

Members of the Appomattox Public School System and adult volunteers who have contributed to the 4-H program will also be recognized. An engraved plaque will be awarded to the outstanding volunteer leader and to the outstanding representative of the school system based on contribution to 4-H during the past year.

A short film on National 4-H Congress held each year in Chicago) will be shown and refreshments will be served by the Oakville 4-H Community 4-H Club. The public is invited to attend the program.

Watch Next Week's **Times Virginian** for a story on the award recipients.

OAKVILLE RURITANS PLAN LADIES NIGHT

Ladies night for the Oakville Ruritan Club will be held on December 7th, 6:30 p.m. at the Parkway Restaurant. The evenings activities will include the installation of officers for the new year, the announcement of special awards and recognition of Travis Poole, club member, who was recently elected Lt. Governor of the Appomattox District of Ruritan.

Speaker for the evening will be Rev. J. J. Bowman, retired minister. Rev. Bowman has been recognized as a highly inspiring speaker with a unique ability to combine humor with a meaningful message.

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